

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of:)
U.S. Patent No.: 6,145,023)
Inventor: Hiroshi Iwasaki) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Issued: November 7, 2000) Examiner: Unassigned
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

DECLARATION OF HIROSHI IWASAKI

I, Hiroshi Iwasaki, hereby declare that:

1. My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under my name.
2. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter that is claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,145,023 and in the U.S. Reissue Patent Application of U.S. Patent No. 6,145,023 and Preliminary Amendment to be filed concurrently with the filing of this Declaration.
3. I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified reissue

application and Preliminary Amendment, including the claims.

4. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this reissue application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

5. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international applications designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international applications designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the applications of which priority is claimed.

Country (if PCT indicate PCT)	Application number	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed Under 35 U.S.C. § 119
Japan	7-017185	February 3, 1995	[XX] Yes [] No

6. I believe that U.S. Patent No. 6,145,023 is partially inoperative by reason of my having claimed less than I had a right to claim. U.S. Patent No. 6,145,023 includes four (4) independent claims. Independent claim 1 recites "storage medium means," a "state-designating conductive member" and that "a write-permitting or a write-inhibiting signal is produced by said state-designating conductive member." The state-designating conductive member of the invention does not "produce" any signal. Instead, it indicates a state of the claimed storage medium means.

7. All errors being corrected in the reissue application up to the time of filing the present Declaration arose without any deceptive intention on my part.

8. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true

and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE, POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND ASSIGNEE
STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA, Kawasaki-shi, Japan, hereby consents to
the filing of the reissue application of United States Patent No. 6,145,023 issued
November 7, 2000. Further, KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA states that it is the
assignee of the entire right, title and interest in United States Patent No.6,145,023 and
in the reissue application therefor by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of

the original patent application that matured into said patent. The assignment was recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 7857, Frame 0108 on January 26, 1996.

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